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TAGS: EAIR, SA

SUBJ: CIVAIR: SAUDI REQUEST FOR AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT

REF: STATE 009927

1. WE FEEL THAT ANY ATTEMPT TO TIE AFFLUENT SAUDIS TO ANY ARAB WEAKER SISTERS SUCH AS SYRIA/JORDAN REQUEST FOR AIR-LINE ROUTE RIGHTS TO US WILL BE CONSIDERED DEMEANING TO SAUDIS AND BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE TO US. THE HEAVIEST PASSENGER TRAFFIC FLOW NOW AND FOR FORESEEABLE FUTURE WILL BE TO AND FROM SAUDI ARABIA. SYRIA/JORDAN JOINT REQUEST APPEARS EVOLVE FROM PRESENT POLITICAL EUPHORIA WHICH COULD CHANGE IN A MOMENT IN THE VOLATILE POLITICAL ATMOSPHERE OF ARAB WORLD.

2. BY END 1977, SAUDI FLEET WILL COMPRISE 8 TRISTAR

1011'S, 12 BOEING 707'S AND 16 BOEING 737'S. SAUDIA

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HAS PURCHASED ALMOST \$440 MILLION WORTH OF US AIRCRAFT IN 1976 AND PLANS FURTHER GROWTH. WE WANT TO ENCOURAGE SAG TO CONTINUE WITH THIS COMMERCIALY HELPFUL ATTITUDE. ALSO, WE JUDGE THAT SAG WOULD NOT WANT ITS INTERESTS TO BE SUBSUMED WITH THOSE OF ITS NEIGHBORS -- WHO ARE ECONOMICALLY LESS SIGNIFICANT, AND IN THE CASE OF THE SARG, LESS TRADITIONALLY FRIENDLY TO THE UNITED

STATES.

3. WE REQUEST DELAY THEREFORE IN PRESENTING ANY NOTE TO
SYRIA/JORDAN AND SAG IF THIS WOULD TEND TO FORECLOSE
OTHER OPTIONS THAT WOULD BE PREFERABLE, PENDING MORE
INFORMATION FROM SAUDIA.
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